

Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust ASX Code: AOD Performance Report - 31 August 2010

Summary

- The Trust returned 1.52% for August compared to the S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index which returned -1.15%
- The Trust has returned 6.92% p.a. since strategy inception versus the S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index which has returned 1.86% p.a.



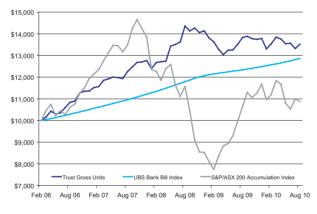
Performance¹

| | 1 mth | 3 mths | 6 mths | 12 mths | 3 yrs | Since strategy inception (p.a.) |
|---|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------------------------------|
| Aurora Sandringham Dividend IncomeTrust | 1.52% | -0.14% | -0.13% | -2.23% | 3.32% | 6.92% |
| S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index | -1.15% | 0.59% | -2.97% | 2.17% | -6.95% | 1.86% |
| UBS Bank Bill Index | 0.41% | 1.23% | 2.29% | 4.21% | 5.48% | 5.74% |

Investment objective

The Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust (the Trust) is an ASX listed investment trust that aims to provide investors with gross income returns in excess of the cash rate while minimising capital risk.

Investment performance¹



Investment strategy

The Trust seeks to achieve the Investment Objective by investing in companies paying dividends and franking credits. Broadly, once a dividend has been earned by the Trust, the investment is realised thereby freeing up capital to invest in another dividend paying company. The holding period is typically more than 45 days. Investments are predominantly chosen from the 50 largest companies traded on the ASX.

The Trust is generally hedged in the order of 65% of share holdings at any given time. When opportunities exist, such as during the peak company reporting seasons of February-March and August-September, the Trust may use gearing to increase exposure to the strategy.

Trust features

| Unit pricing | Monthly. |
|---------------------|--|
| Distribution policy | At least 1.5% of Net Asset Value plus any franking credits ² per Unit per quarter |
| Applications | Investors may acquire Units on the ASX or via the current Product Disclosure Statement. |
| Redemptions | On market by selling on the ASX or off-market at the end of each month. |

Trust valuations

| Fund Size | \$38.6 million |
|---|----------------|
| Net Assets Value per Unit | \$0.9842 |
| Net Assets Value per Unit – incl. franking | \$0.9894 |
| NAV Accumulation per Unit (since inception) | \$1.5780 |

Trust distributions (per Unit)³

| Period | Cash | Franking (%) ⁴ | Yield at NAV (p.a.) |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 30 Jun 06 | \$0.0430 | \$0.0673 (367%) | 14.7% |
| 31 Dec 06 | \$0.0188 | \$0.0722 (899)% | 15.9% |
| 30 Jun 07 | \$0.0440 | \$0.0295 (154%) | 12.6% |
| 31 Dec 07 | \$0.0375 | \$0.0296 (184%) | 11.6% |
| 30 Jun 08 | \$0.0417 | \$0.0156 (87%) | 9.9% |
| 31 Dec 08 | \$0.0400 | \$0.0213 (124%) | 10.4% |
| 30 Jun 09 | \$0.0100 | \$0.0210 (491%) | 5.3% |
| 31 Dec 09 | \$0.0300 | \$0.0240 (188%) | 10.2% |
| 31 Mar 10 | \$0.0160 | \$0.0100 (146%) | 9.9% |
| 30 Jun 10 | \$0.0160 | \$0.0011 (16%) | 6.6% |
| Total | \$0.2969 | \$0.2917 | |

Portfolio commentary

Uncertainty and fears of a US "double-dip" drove world indices lower during August. Amid this backdrop the S&P/ ASX 200 Accumulation Index fell 1.15% with defensive sectors generally outperforming cyclicals.

Locally we were in the middle of the reporting season and overall the news was mixed with several good late season results balancing out a weak start. For example, Woolworths which reported on 26th August was up 7.64% for the month and was the Trust's best performing holding. It reported ahead of consensus earnings driven by cost savings in its key Food & Liquor segment and also announced a supportive \$700m off-market buyback. Telstra, which reported on 12th August was the Trust's worst performing holding losing 7.50%. It announced in-line earnings but disappointed the market with its outlook which included significant cost increases associated with new strategic initiatives.

The Trust, which was 70% invested as at the end of August returned 1.52% for the month. The Trust's performance since inception of 6.92% per annum continues to outperform both equity market and cash returns of 1.86% and 5.74% per annum respectively.

Significant portfolio holdings

| Weight |
|--------|
| 16.5% |
| 15.6% |
| 10.9% |
| 5.8% |
| 5.7% |
| 70.2% |
| |

Dividend calendar

| Company | Forecast dividend | Forecast ex date |
|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Leighton | \$0.85 | 6 Sep 10 |
| Onesteel | \$0.06 | 6 Sep 10 |
| AMP | \$0.15 | 6 Sep 10 |
| BHP | \$0.52 | 6 Sep 10 |
| AGL | \$0.30 | 6 Sep 10 |
| Sonic Healthcare | \$0.35 | 8 Sep 10 |
| Woolworths | \$0.62 | 13 Sep 10 |
| CSL | \$0.45 | 13 Sep 10 |
| Brambles | \$0.125 | 16 Sep 10 |
| Newcrest | \$0.20 | 27 Sep 10 |

Source: www.asx.com.au Note: The Trust may or may not make investments in the above companies.

Aurora Funds Management

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Notes: Since inception (17 Nov 05) the Trust has delivered an annualised return of 6.45%, assumes distributions and franking credits are reinvested. 1. This represents a cumulative return and assumes the reinvestment of distributions and franking credits. 2. The Trust intends to always distribute at least 1.5% of NAV, excluding any franking credits, per quarter regardless of Trust performance. This means that if the Trust has insufficient net income in a given quarter, investors may receive a partial (or full) return of capital. 3. Please note each historical distribution has been divided by eight to reflect the Unit split carried out in July 08. 4. The percentage franked is based on a relative comparison to a Company that may pay a 100% franked dividend. A Trust can accumulate franking credits and pass these through to Unitholders. Trusts can have distributions which are franked at more than 100%. Disclaimer: This information has been prepared by Aurora Funds Management Ltd ABN 69 092 626 885 AFSL 222110 in its capacity as Responsible Entity for the Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust (ARSN 108 249 154). It has been prepared without taking into account the objectives, financial situation or needs of any investor, which should be considered before investing. Investors should consider a copy of the Product Disclosure Statement and seek their own financial advice prior to investing in the Trust. The information in this newsletter is of a summary nature only and does not constitute advice of any kind, nor is it an offer of any financial product. Past performance is not a reliable indication of future performance. In particular as the Investment Strategy was altered in February 2006, past performance prior to this date has little bearing on future performance and is not shown. The payment of franking credits to is subject to the Trust achieving a taxable profit in that year. Please see www.asx.com.au for more information on the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index.

Investment Manager

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